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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION OF JULY 28, 2005  
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Following is a Response to the Final Office Action dated 28 July 2005.

**Petition for Extension of Time to Respond**

The period for response is hereby extended THREE month(s) to expire January 28, 2006 by this Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time. A PTO-2038 authorizing a charge for the appropriate petition fee of \$510 (37 CFR §1.17) accompanies this Response.

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